

REMARKS

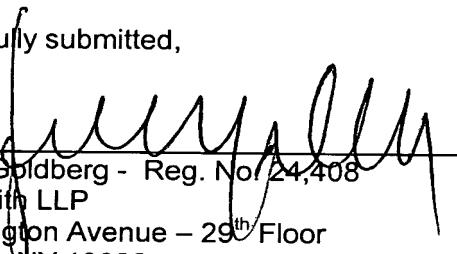
As a result of the foregoing amendment, claim 9 has been amended to avoid the formal rejections raised by the examiner in paragraph 2 of the office action. In particular, the express "blanc fix" has been deleted and the expression barium sulfate has been inserted therefor thus obviating the insufficient antecedent basis objection. Also, the period after "TiO₂ has been deleted.

The examiner's objection to the dependency of claim 9 is not understood. In the last amendment to claim 9, it was dependent to claim 1 and it is believed that dependency is correct.

Accordingly, entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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